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SUBJ: BULGARIAN PAPER ACCUSES US OF COMPLICITY IN ISRAELI
RAID

1. " NARODNA ARMIYA" APRIL 12 CARRIES COMMENTARY
ACCUSING CIA OF ACTING JOINTLY WITH ISRAELI MILITARY
IN RECENT RAID IN LEBANON. REPEATING CANARD OF PLO,
COMMENTATOR SAYS THAT " IT IS BEYOND ANY DOUBT THAT
THIS WAS A JOINT ACTION OF ISRAELI MILITARISM AND
THE CIA." STORY POINTS TO SUCH " FACTS" AS GOOD PRIOR
INTELLIGENCE OF COMMANDOS, THEIR EVACUATION BY SHIPS
" WAITING NOT FAR FROM THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN BEIRUT,"
AND LOCATION IN BEIRUT OF REGIONAL CENTER OF CIA.

2. MORE AUTHORITATIVE " RABOTNICHESKO DELO" HAS SO
FAR ONLY CARRIED PLO COMMUNIQUE WITHOUT COMMENT.
EMBASSY PLANS, HOWEVER, TO RAISE ASAP " NARODNA ARMIYA"
ARTICLE TO MFA IN COURSE OF OTHER BUSINESS, BEARING
IN MIND BULGARIAN MEDIA DID NOT CRITICIZE KHARTOUM
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